COMMUTER ALERT



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STATE ROUTE 330 CLOSED AFTER MUDSLIDE

SAN BERNARDINO – The mountain highway of State Route 330 (SR330) remains closed this morning following a mudslide yesterday that caused about 30 cubic yards of mud and rocks to fall onto the roadway. After a period of heavy rains, the earthen debris became dislodged from a nearby hillside and tumbled onto the highway. SR330 will remain closed beginning at post mile 30 to approximately post mile 42, Highland Avenue and Live Oak, just south of Running Springs respectively, until a team of geologists from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) can make an assessment of the mudslide and the neighboring hillside.

Caltrans advises motorists to use state routes 18 and 38 in order to drive around the closure. Efforts are being made to remove the mudslide and reopen the highway as soon as it is deemed safe to do so.

Please call the Caltrans Office of Public Affairs at (909) 383-4631 or visit their Web site at http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8 for updates on this closure

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